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GRILLED CHICKEN PATTIES, INVITATION NO. 2, ANNOUNCEMENT PY-254

The U.S. Department of Agriculture invites offers to sell grilled chicken patties as indicated below and per the Announcement for use in school lunch and other domestic food nutrition assistance programs. Offers are due by 12 noon, Central Time, Monday, Dec. 17. Acceptances will be announced by midnight, Friday, Dec. 21. Deliveries are to be made from Feb. 1 to Feb. 15, 2002.

Offers are invited from the trade for frozen, fully cooked, grilled chicken patties, produced from boneless, skinless thighs (only) and skin, or boneless, skinless thighs and drumsticks and skin. Grilled chicken patties will be packaged 5 or 10 pounds (2.27 or 4.54 kg) per plastic-film bag to net a weight of 30 pounds (13.61 kg) in each fiberboard shipping container. A purchase unit will consist of 1,300 shipping containers totaling 39,000 pounds (17,690 kg).

As stated in the September 21 Notice to the Trade, all offers must be submitted electronically through the Domestic Electronic Bid Entry System (DEBES) website at https://pcsd.usda.gov:3077/mdbc1000.exe?. Offers submitted on and after October 1, 2001, by any means other than DEBES will be considered nonresponsive.

Bidders are cautioned to bid only quantities they can reasonably expect to produce and deliver in accordance with the contract. Shipping instructions will indicate quantity to be delivered to each point.

Inquiries about Announcement PY-254, Appendix-1, the Commodity Specification for Grilled Chicken Patties dated April 2000, or this Invitation should be directed to the Contracting Officer, USDA/AMS/Poultry Programs, Commodity Procurement Branch STOP 0260, 1400 Independence Ave., SW, Washington, D.C. 20250, telephone (202) 720-7693. An electronic version of this Invitation can be obtained through the world wide web via the Commodity Procurement Home Page at http://www.ams.usda.gov/cp.

Purchases of the commodities listed below will be made on a delivered basis, subject to Announcement PY-254, to the listed locations. Destination quantities are estimates and are subject to adjustment based on offerings, changes in recipient need, market conditions, and program operations. Delivery by mechanically refrigerated trucks or railcars is optional to the contractor, except for those destination(s) which specify delivery by truck only or rail only.

ANNOUNCEMENT : PY254 INVITATION : 002

COMM GROUP : 22 CHICKEN, FROZEN

COMM TYPE : 31 CHICKEN, GRILLED PATTIES, SOC

PACK SIZE : 30 30 LB

ITEM DESTI	NATION ST	TRANS RESTR	QUANTITY (LBS)
DELIVERY PERIO	D 02/01/02	2 - 02/15/02	2
001 CHARLESTO	N WV		78,000
TOTAL QUANTITY	FOR COMMOD	DITY TYPE	78,000
TOTAL QUANTITY	FOR INVITA	ATION	78,000

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